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REMARKS

The Office Action mailed April 30, 2009, has been carefully reviewed and Applicants note with appreciation the identification of allowable subject matter.

By this Amendment, claims 14-26 have been amended for better conformity with U.S. practice. Claims 14-26 are pending in the application. Claim 14 is independent.

With respect to Applicants' Information Disclosure Statement (IDS) filed December 29, 2005, the Examiner requested an English translation of reference AI, namely EP 1150 250 A1. Applicants have attached to this Office Action a Supplemental IDS with the requested English translation of EP 1150 250 A1, and request that the Examiner consider and make the same of record in the application.

The Examiner objected to the specification as containing informalities which Applicants have corrected herein, including the addition of headings.

The Examiner objected to the abstract as being too long. Applicants have amended the abstract herein to bring the abstract into conformity with U.S. practice.

The Examiner rejected claims 14-26 under 35 U.S.C. 112, second paragraph, as being indefinite, but stated that claims 14-26

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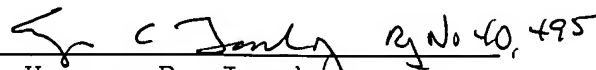
would be allowable if rewritten to overcome the rejections under 35 U.S.C. 112, second paragraph.

With the amendments set forth herein, the informalities noted in claim 14 have been corrected and claims 14-26 are in conformity with 35 U.S.C. 112, second paragraph. Favorable reconsideration and allowance of the claims in accordance with the Examiner's identification of allowable subject matter in claim 14 is requested.

With the foregoing amendments and remarks, the application is in condition for allowance. Should the Examiner have any questions or comments, the Examiner is cordially invited to telephone the undersigned attorney so that the present application can receive an early Notice of Allowance.

Respectfully submitted,

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